

Remarks:

Claims 1, 3, 5-8, 10, 12-14, 16-19, 23, 43, 45, 47, 49, and 51 are pending in this application. In the Action dated December 1, 2006, the Examiner is requiring that Applicants elect certain species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Currently, claims 1, 8, 43, and 47 are generic.

For the "first material," Applicants elect Al_2O_3 . Note that claims 1 and 8 have been amended to include this material. Claims 43 and 47 previously recited Al_2O_3 in the Markush group for the first material.

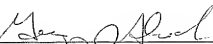
For the "second material," Applicants elect Ag. Ag is recited as a second material in claims 1, 8, 43, and 47. These elections are made without traverse.

Claims 1, 3, 5-8, 10, 12-14, 16, 43, 45, 47, 49, and 51 all read on the species elected consonant with the present election requirement.

In view of the foregoing, a Notice of Allowance appears to be in order and such is courteously solicited.

Any additional fee which is due in connection with this amendment should be applied against our Deposit Account No. 19-0522.

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